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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's

attention to the documents listed below and on the attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of

each document so listed is enclosed.

(1)   EP 1262908
(2)   EP 0784285
(3)   EP 0552770
(4)   JP 2001-202516
(5)   JP 11-250267
(6)   JP 7-220090
(7)   JP 9-251534
(8)   JP 2-767814
(9)   JP 9-44676
(10)   JP 2-973676
(11)   JP 11-283036
(12)   JP 2-573126
(13)   JP 11-15973

     (14)   Rowley, H. et al., "Rotation Invariant Neural Network-Based Face Detection", Proc. of Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition, pp. 38-44, 1998

     (15)   LeCun et al., "Convolutional Networks for Images Speech, and Time Series" in Handbook of Brain Theory and Neural Networks (M. Arbib, Ed.), MIT Press, pp. 255-258

Documents 1, 2, 4, 5, 14 and 15 were cited during prosecution of a PCT patent application corresponding to the above U.S. application. A copy of the International Search Report is enclosed.
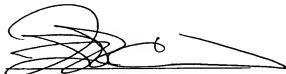
Document 3 is an English-language counterpart of JP 2-973676.

Documents 7 to 11, 14 and 15 were cited in the specification. In this regard, four of the above-listed Japanese references were cited by their publication numbers. They have since issued as patents but English-language abstracts therefor are not available. Accordingly, copies of the following English-language abstracts for their respective published applications are enclosed: JP 1314385 for JP 2-767814, JP 5197793 for JP 2973676, and JP 6076058 for JP 2573126.

Inasmuch as the subject application has not yet received a first Office Action, it is believed that this Information Disclosure Statement is timely. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). Accordingly, the Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing and returning a copy of the attached Form PTO-1449.

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		2001-202516	7/01	Japan			Abstract
		11-250267	9/99	Japan			Abstract
		7-220090	4/98	Japan			Abstract
		9-251534	9/97	Japan			Abstract
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		2-573126	10/96	Japan			Abstract
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OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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